In Re the Application of:

ROSE et al.

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For: "PRODUCT AND METHOD FOR TREATING JOINT DISORDERS IN VERTEBRATES"

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

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Applicants, through their attorneys, respectfully petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR § 1.136(a) of three (3) months to respond to the Office Action mailed on June 18, 2002, with respect to the above-identified application, thereby extending the period for response from September 18, 2002, to December 18, 2002.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$460.00 as payment for the extension fee. Please credit any overpayment or debit any underpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-1970.

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